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It is a time of unrest. After the fall of the Republic, the Galactic Empire took over with an iron fist. Yet the Empire does not stand unchallenged as the rebels continue to fight back.

The destruction of the Death Star has ignited faith that the Rebellion will prevail, but the Emperor is determined to eliminate any and all threats. As more and more planets fall under Imperial control, Lord Vader travels to Shu-torun with a message to reinforce their cooperation....

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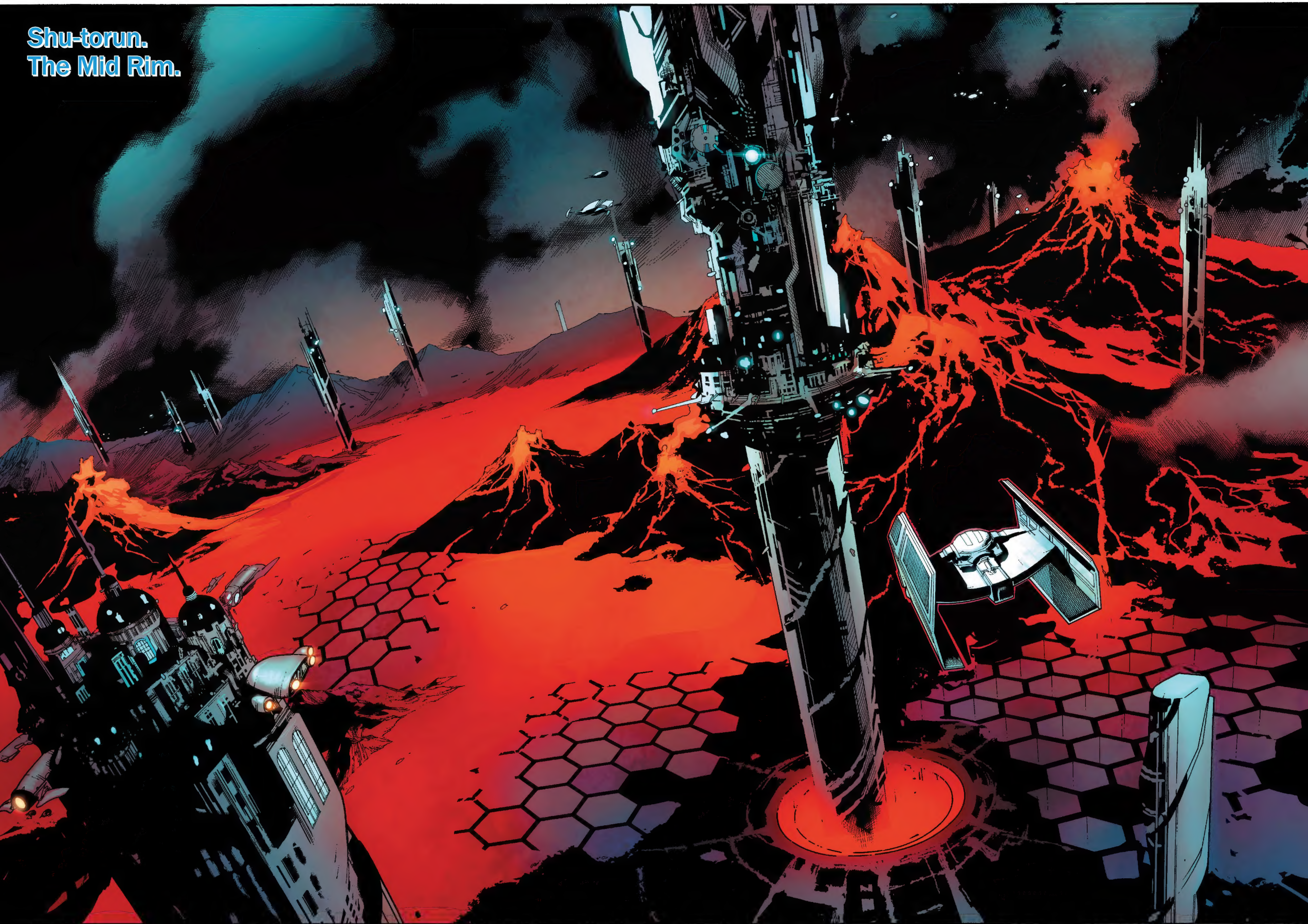
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Shu-torun.
The Mid Rim.





YOU HAVE
DISAPPOINTED
ME, PRINCESS
TRIOS.

THIS IS
UNWISE.

I WAS
EXPECTING
YOUR
FATHER.



WHILE MY FATHER'S MIND IS AS SHARP AS EVER, HE IS NOT AS SWIFT AS HE ONCE WAS. HE WILL BE JOINING US SHORTLY AND SENT ME TO SHOW YOU TO THE BALL.

THE KING HAS ARRANGED A LITTLE CELEBRATION TO SHOWCASE OUR CULTURE.

IT IS IN THE ABYSSAL ROOMS, BENEATH THE SURFACE. I FLATTER MYSELF WHEN I SAY IT WILL IMPRESS YOU.

IF YOUR FATHER SPENT SUCH EFFORTS IN FULFILLING HIS QUOTAS, I WOULD NOT NEED TO BE HERE, PRINCESS LEIA.

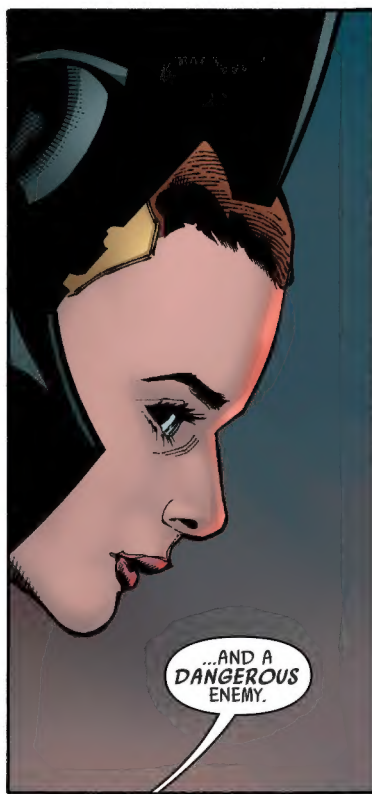


OUR SERVANTS CAN HELP YOU WITH THAT, LORD VADER...

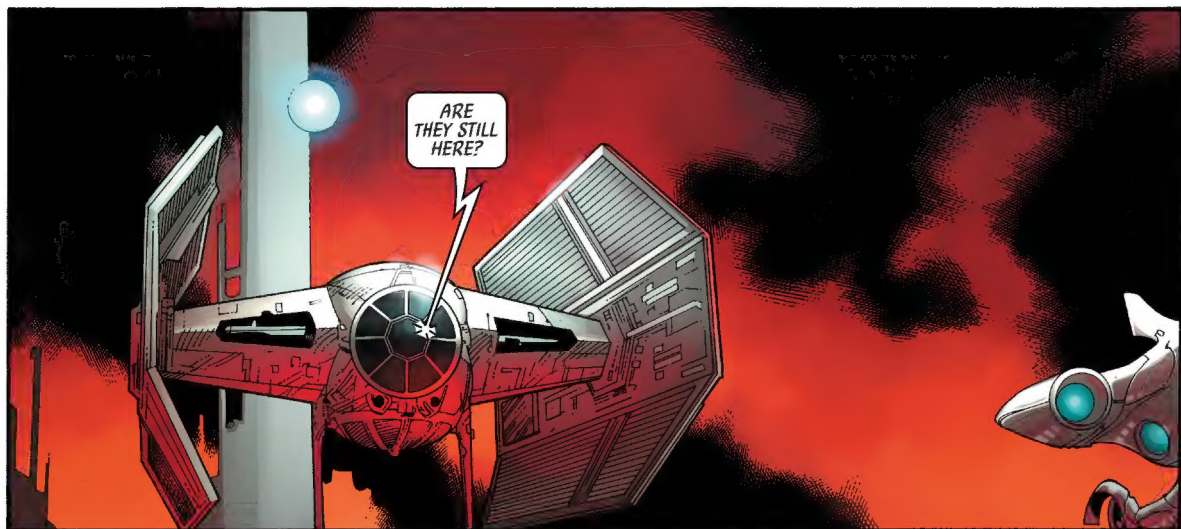


NO. IT IS A GIFT FOR SHU-TORUN'S RULER. I WILL DELIVER IT PERSONALLY.

A REMINDER THAT THE EMPIRE IS BOTH A POWERFUL FRIEND...



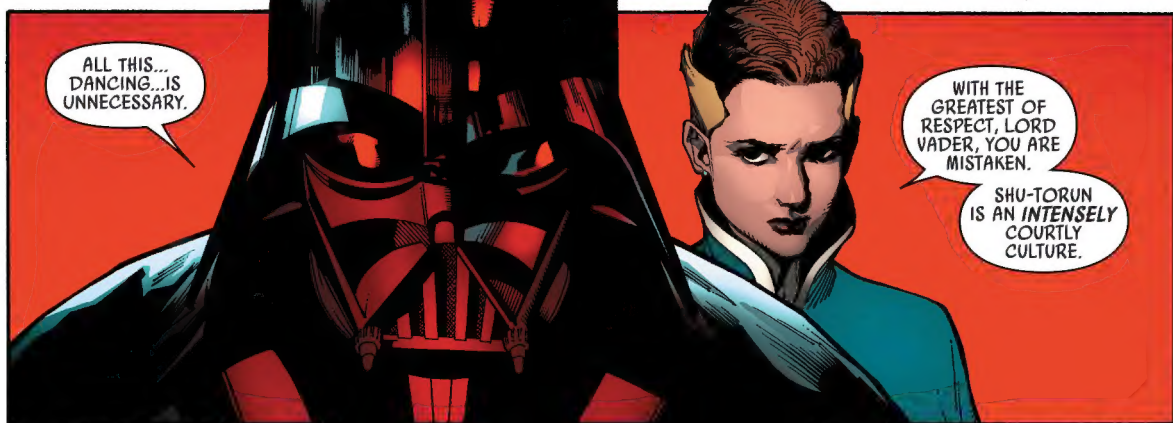
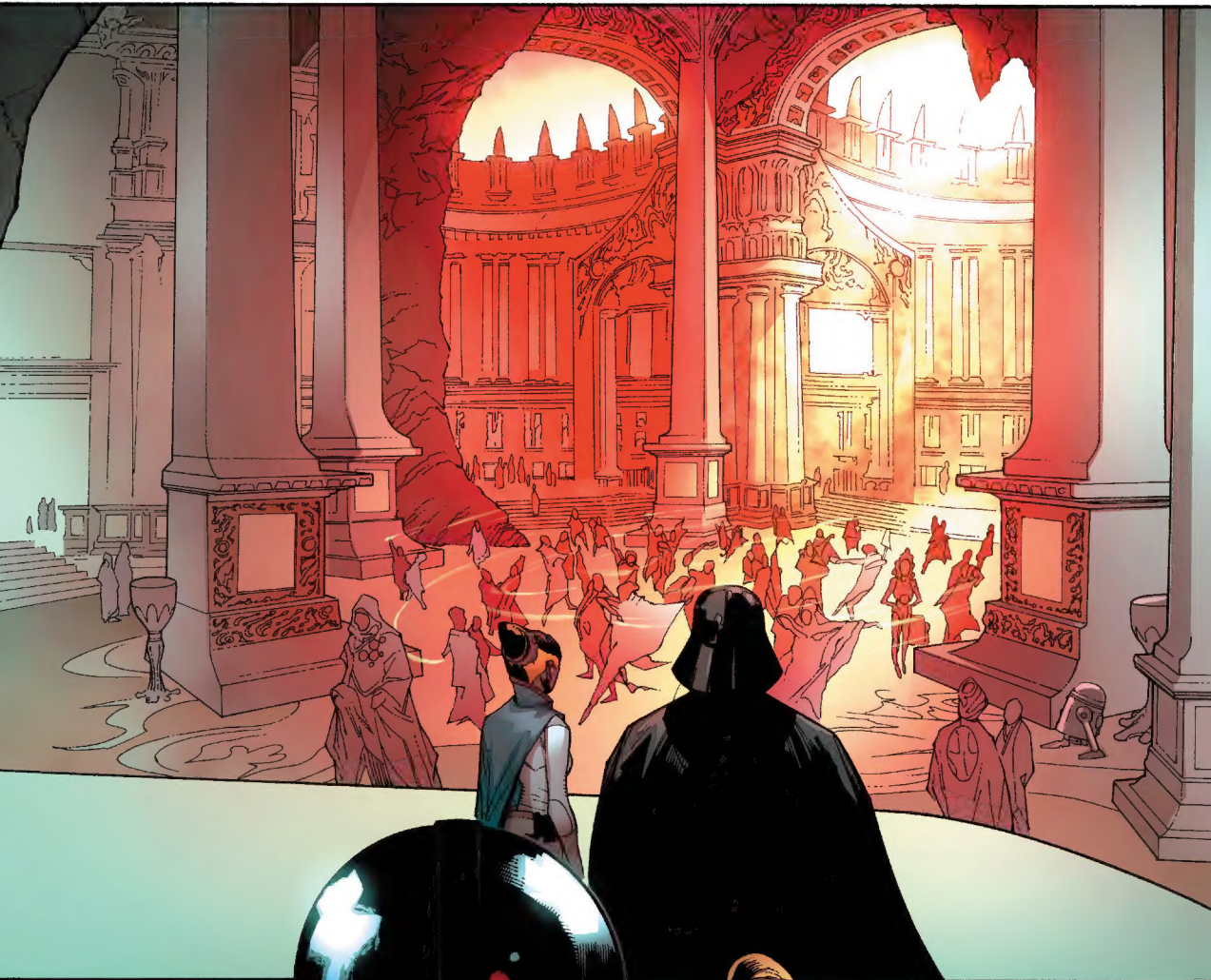
...AND A DANGEROUS ENEMY.





PLEASE BE
UPSTANDING
FOR LORD
VADER.

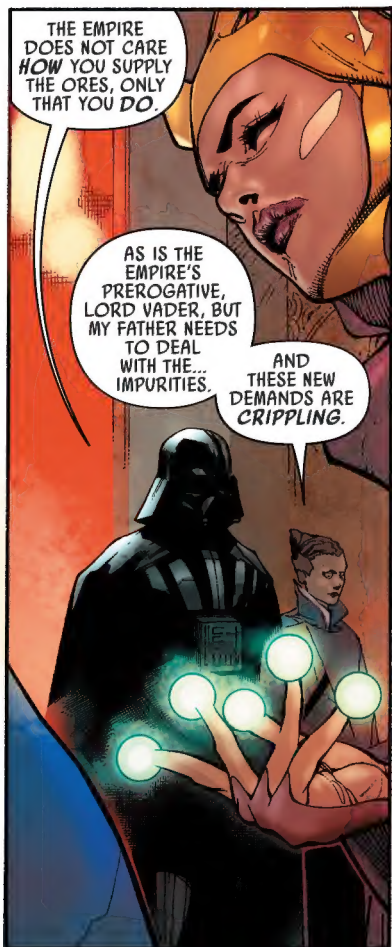
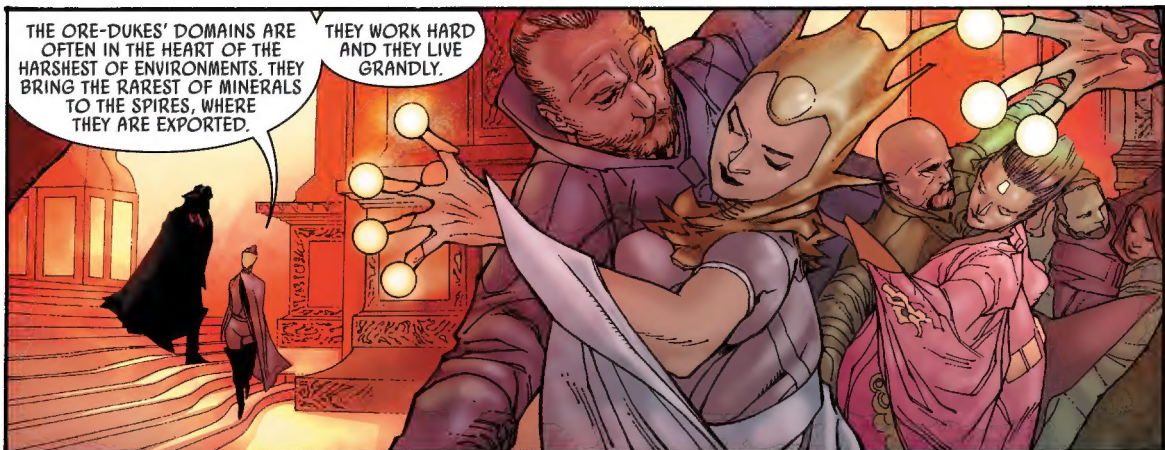
AND BEGIN
THE STATELY
SHU-TORUN
COUNTER-BORE
WALTZ.

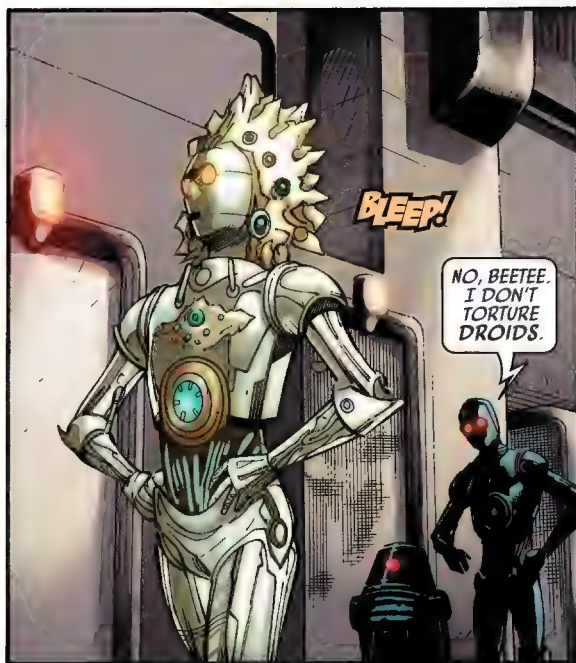
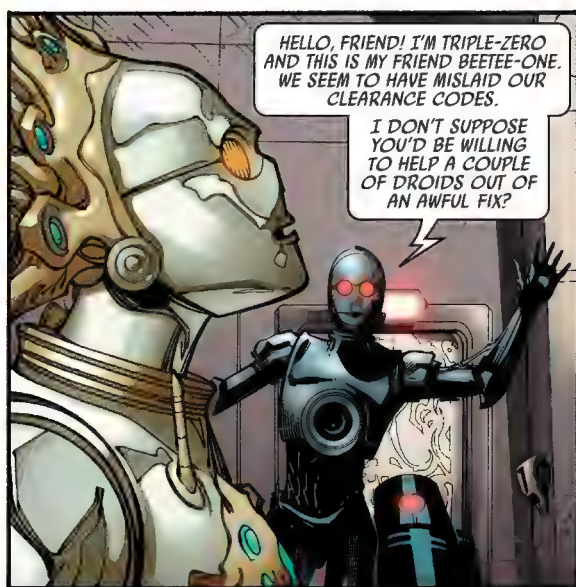
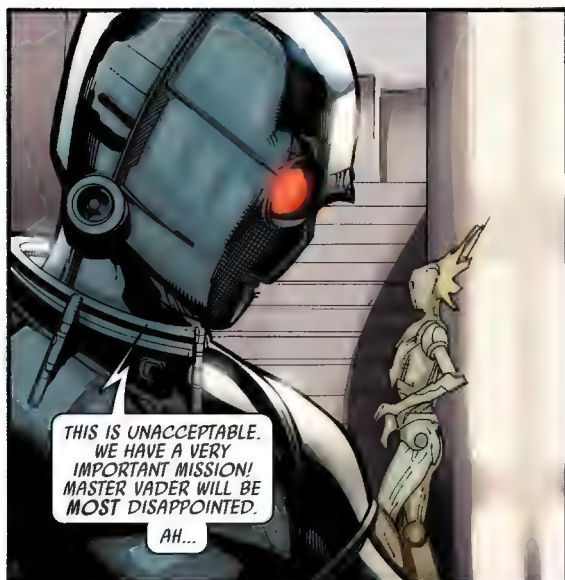
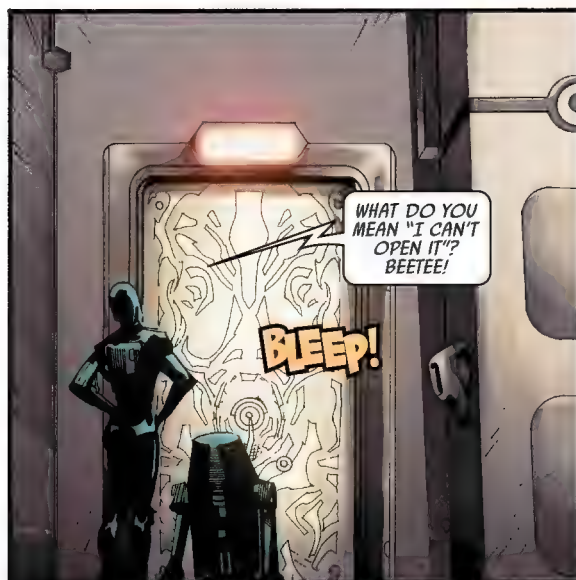


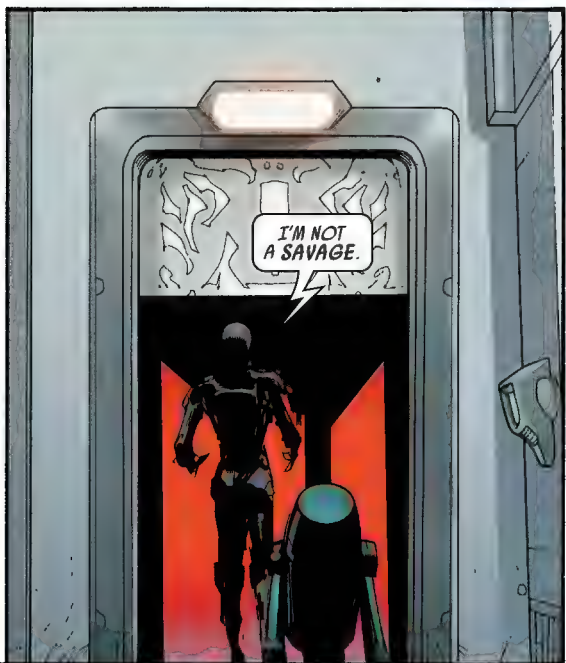
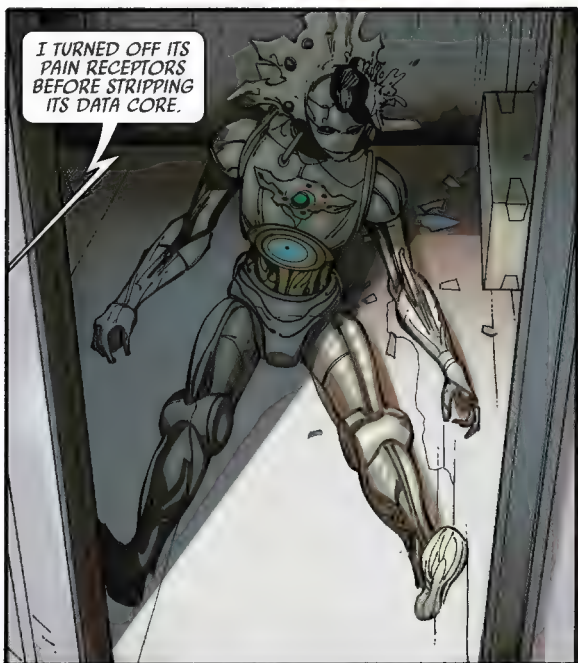
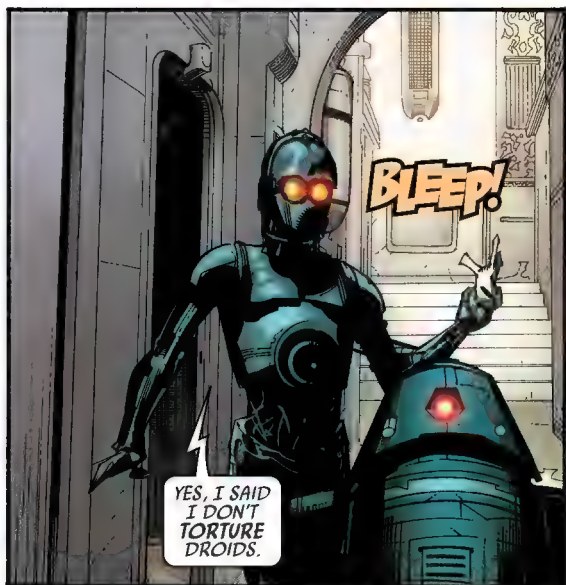
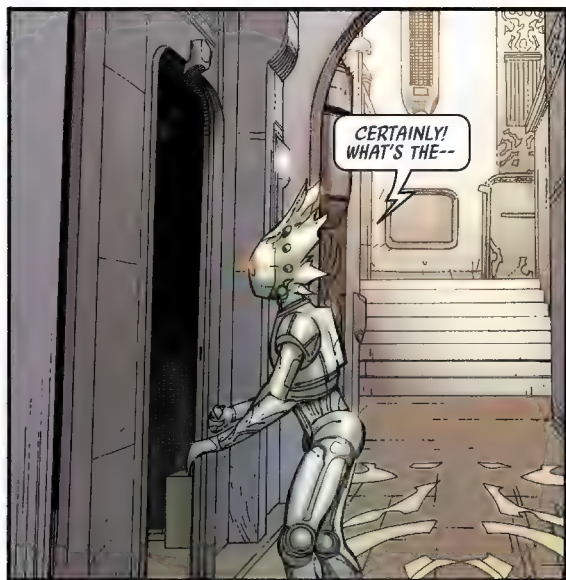
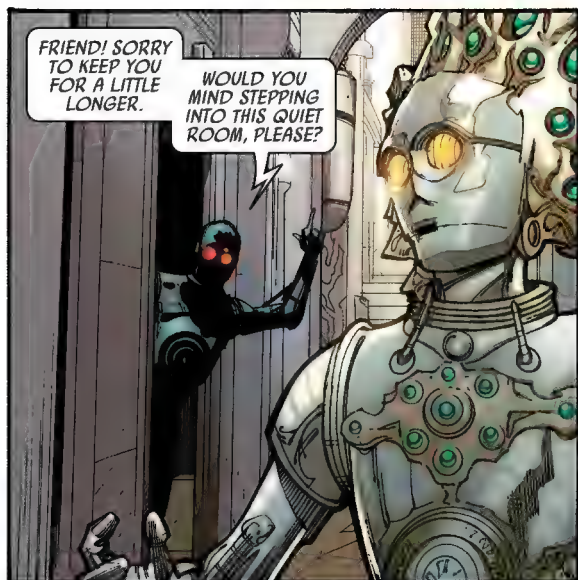
ALL THIS...
DANCING...IS
UNNECESSARY.

WITH THE
GREATEST OF
RESPECT, LORD
VADER, YOU ARE
MISTAKEN.

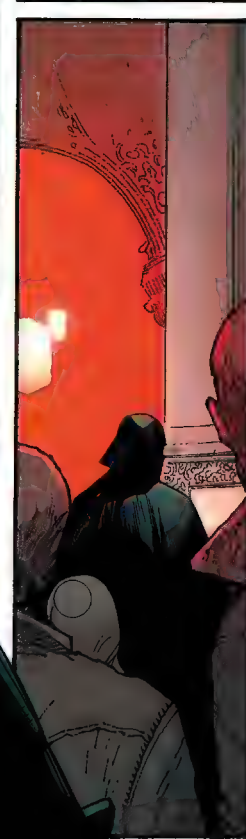
SHU-TORUN
IS AN **INTENSELY**
COURTLY
CULTURE.



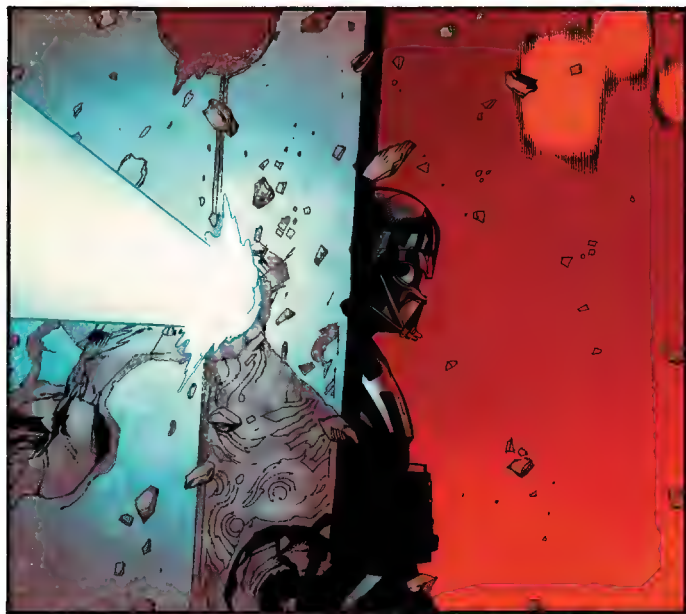
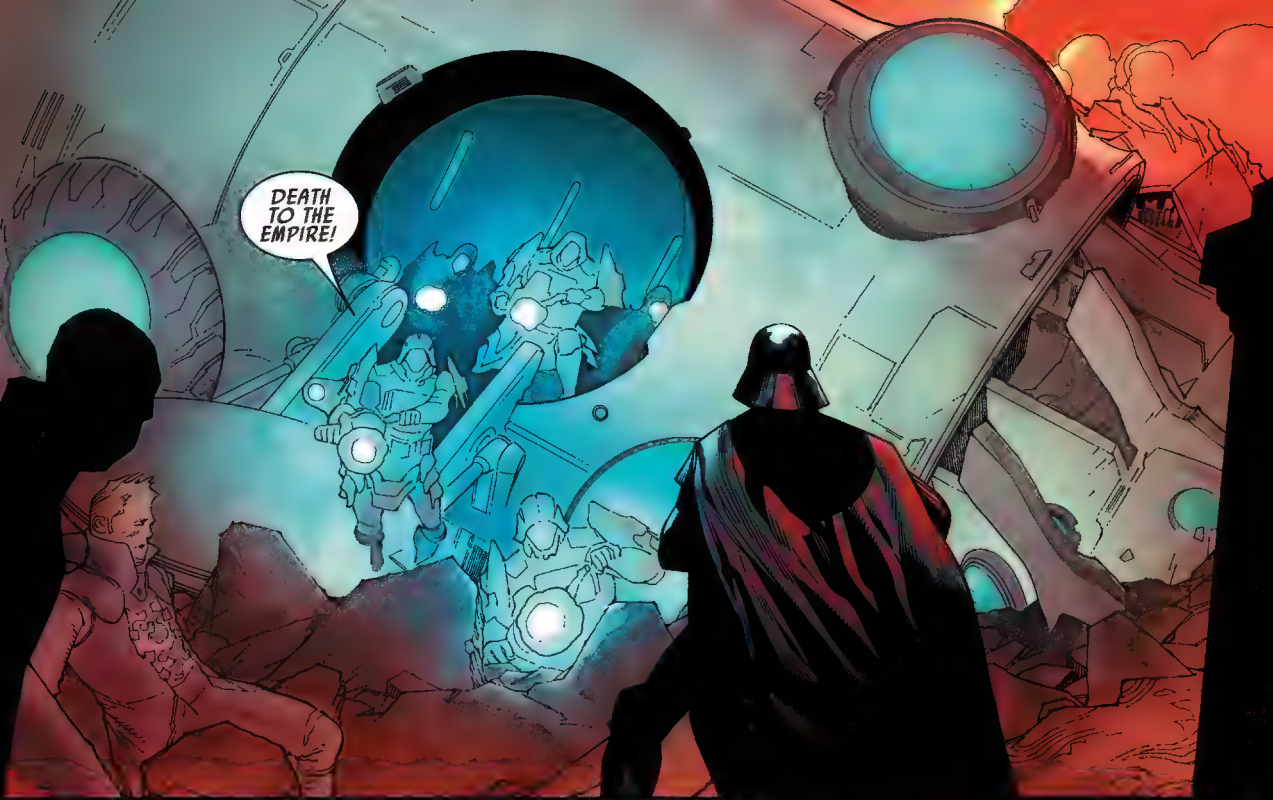


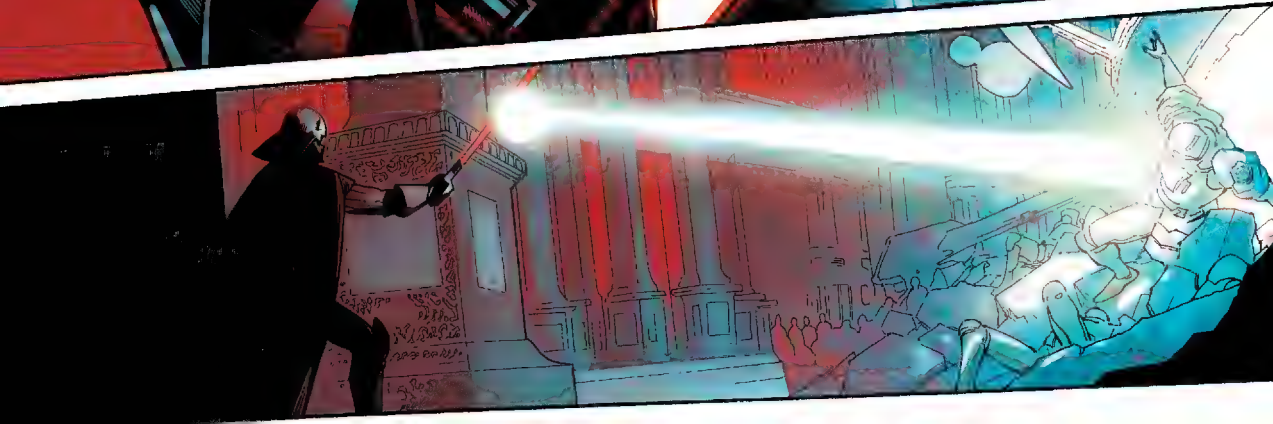
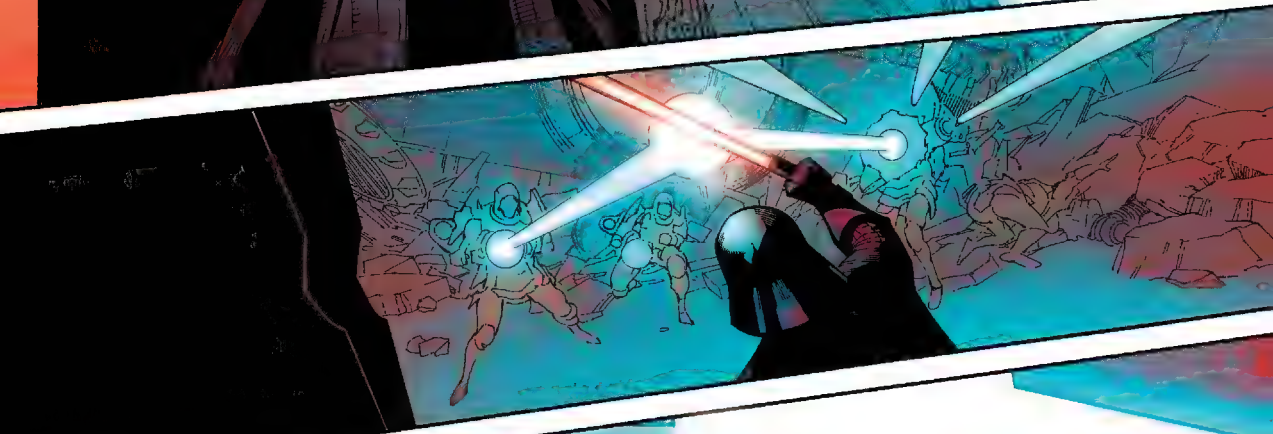




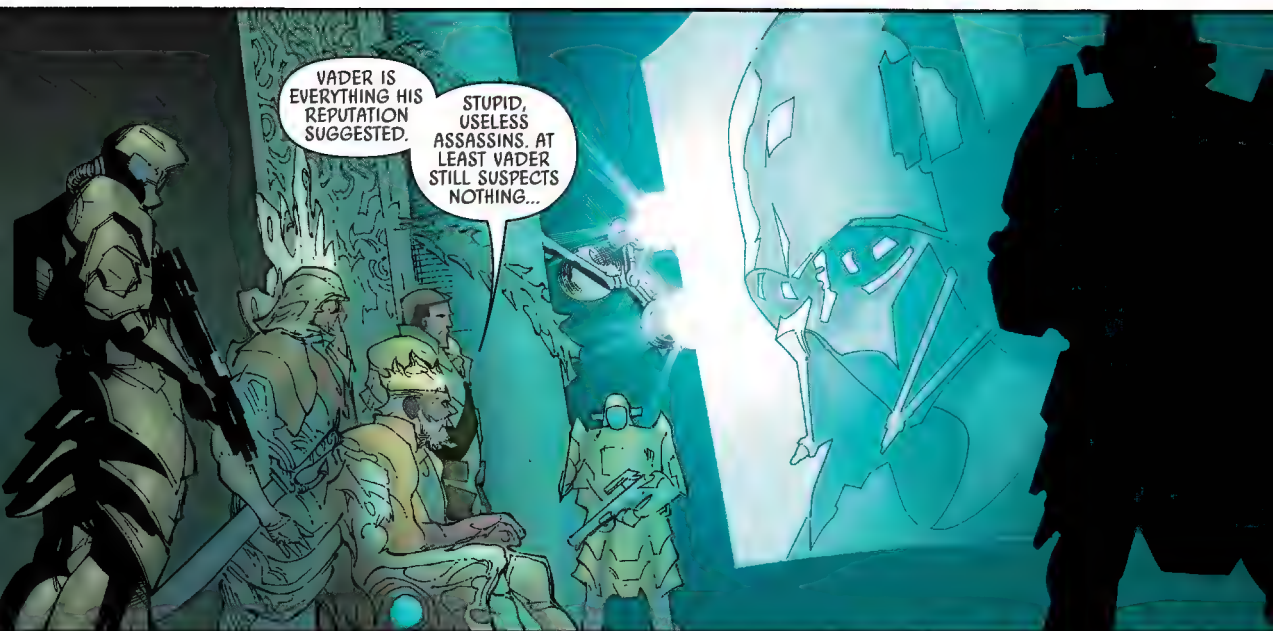






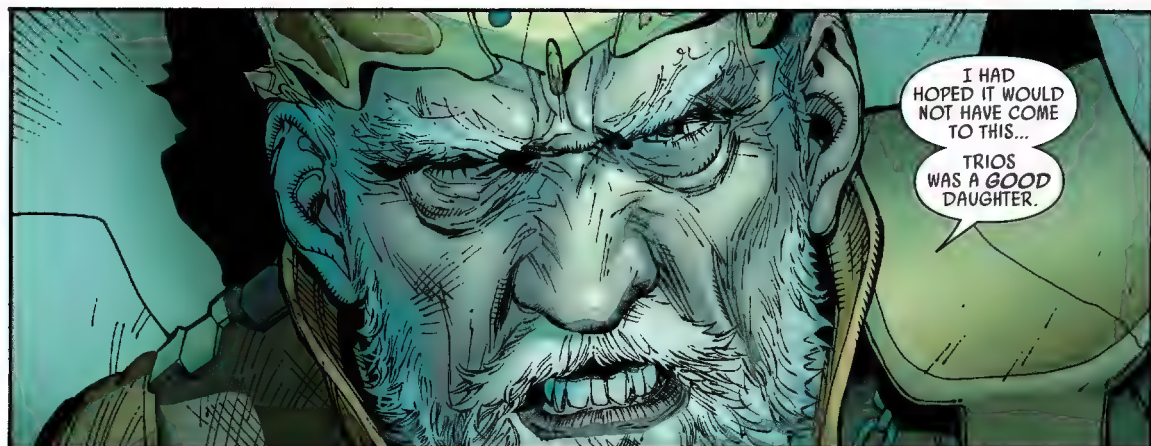






VADER IS
EVERYTHING HIS
REPUTATION
SUGGESTED.

STUPID,
USELESS
ASSASSINS. AT
LEAST VADER
STILL SUSPECTS
NOTHING...



I HAD
HOPED IT WOULD
NOT HAVE COME
TO THIS...

TRIOS
WAS A *GOOD*
DAUGHTER.

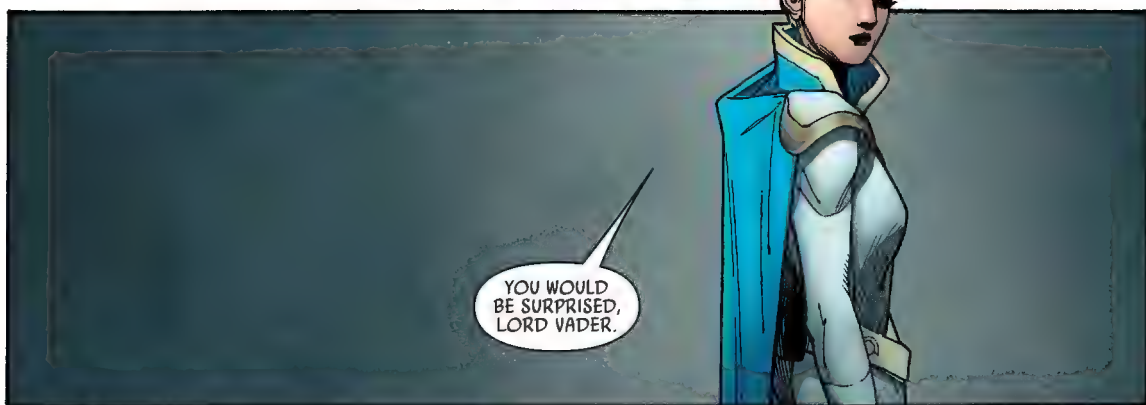
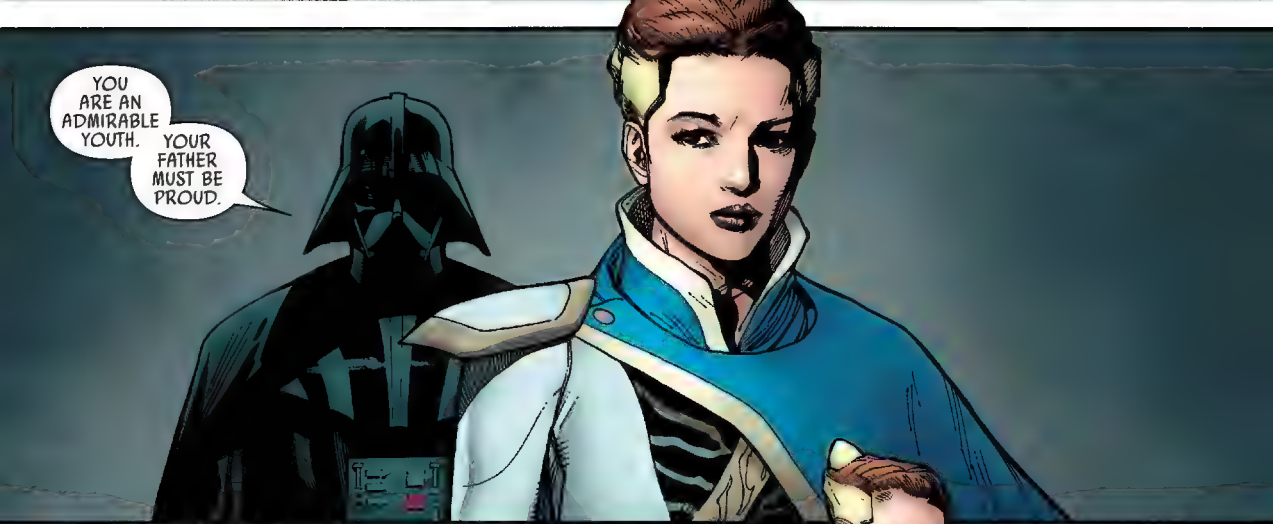


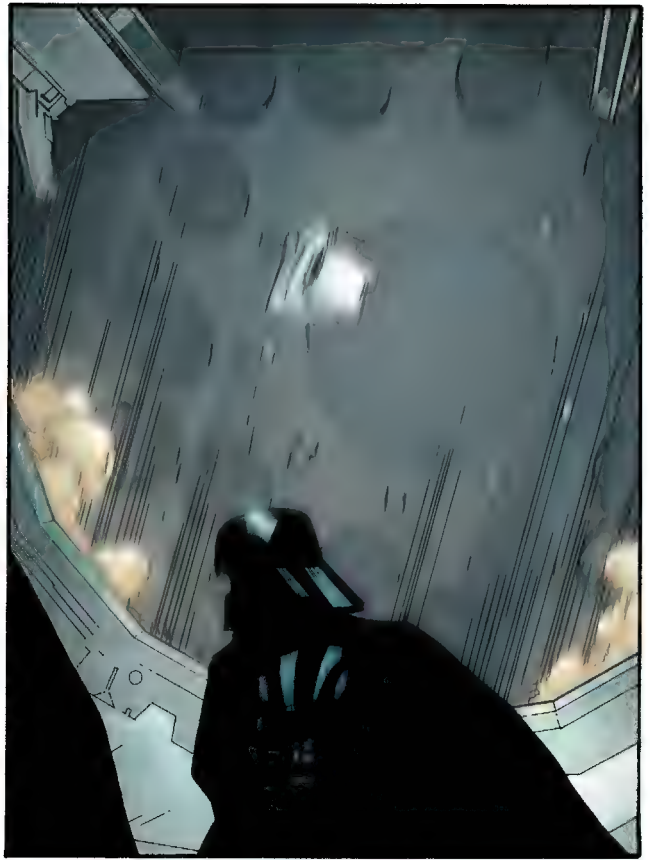
IT IS A
SHAME TO LOSE
HER IN A TRAGIC
ACCIDENT.



FASCINATING,
YOUR MAJESTY!

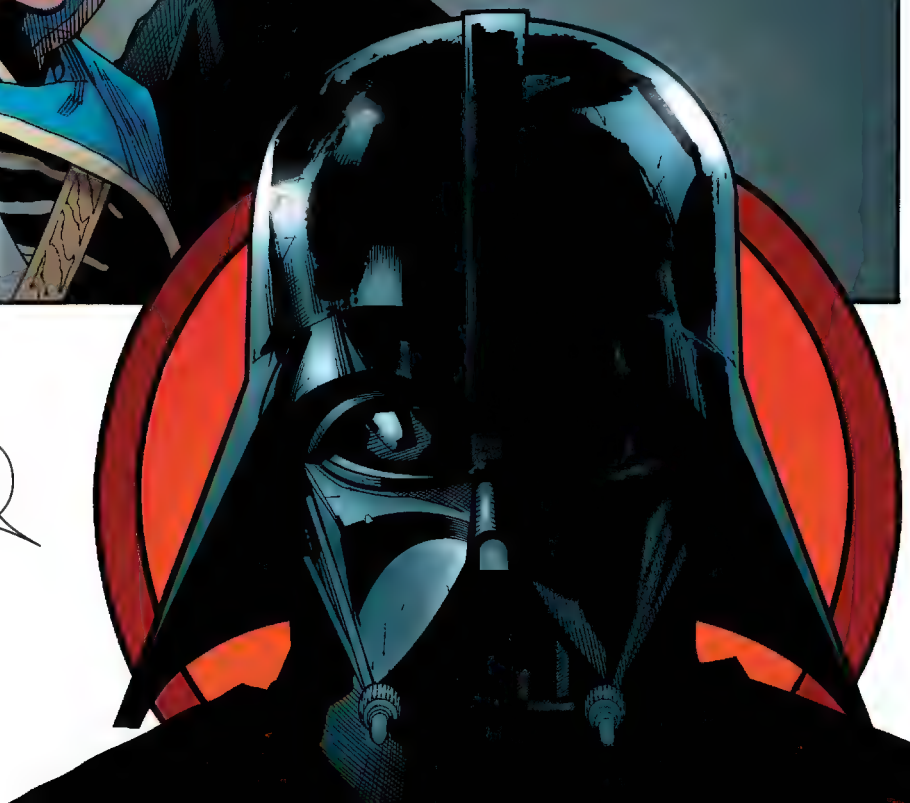
I FIND A REFRESHING
BEVERAGE IS IDEAL
WHEN WATCHING
TRAGIC ACCIDENTS!

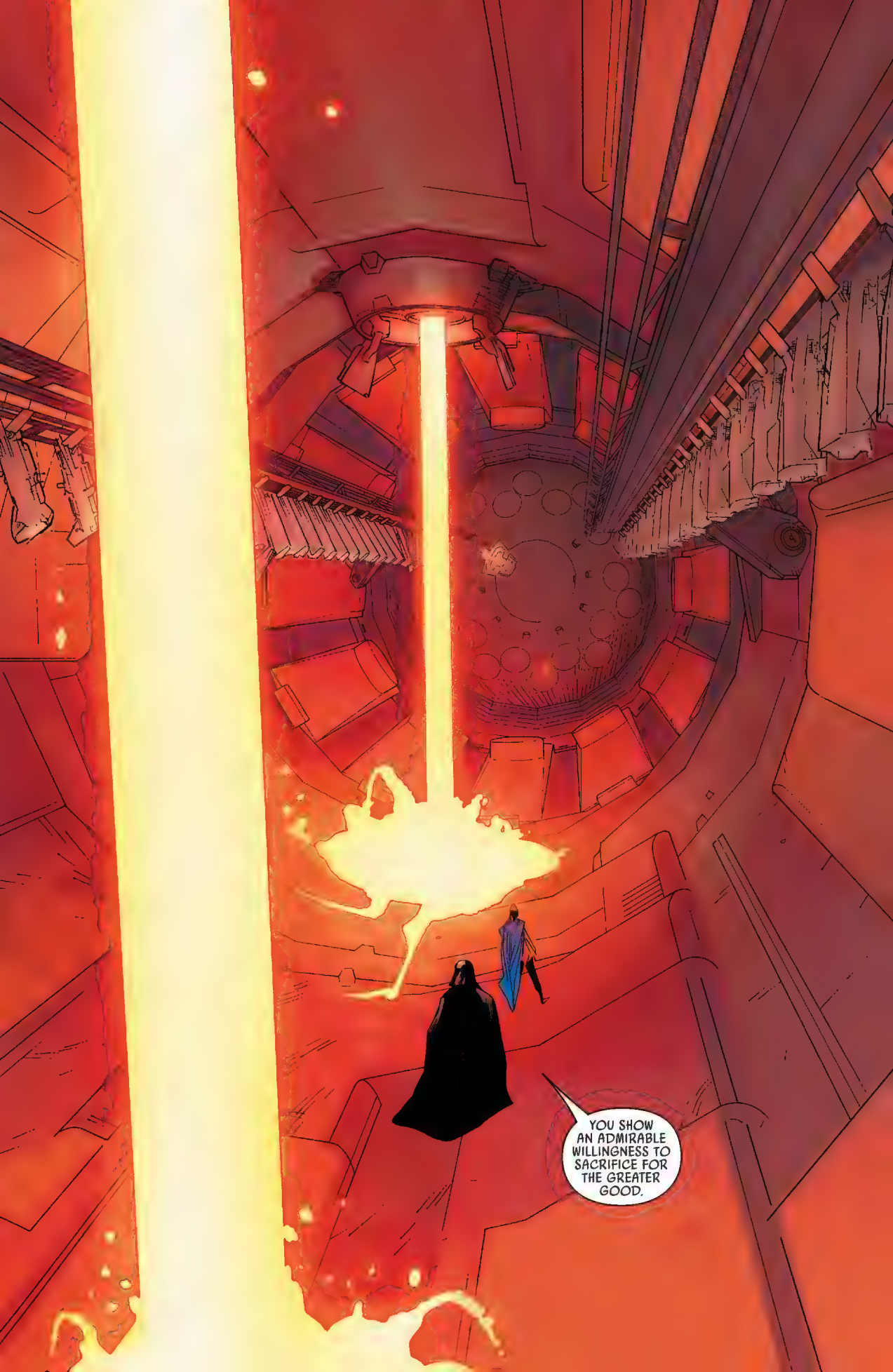




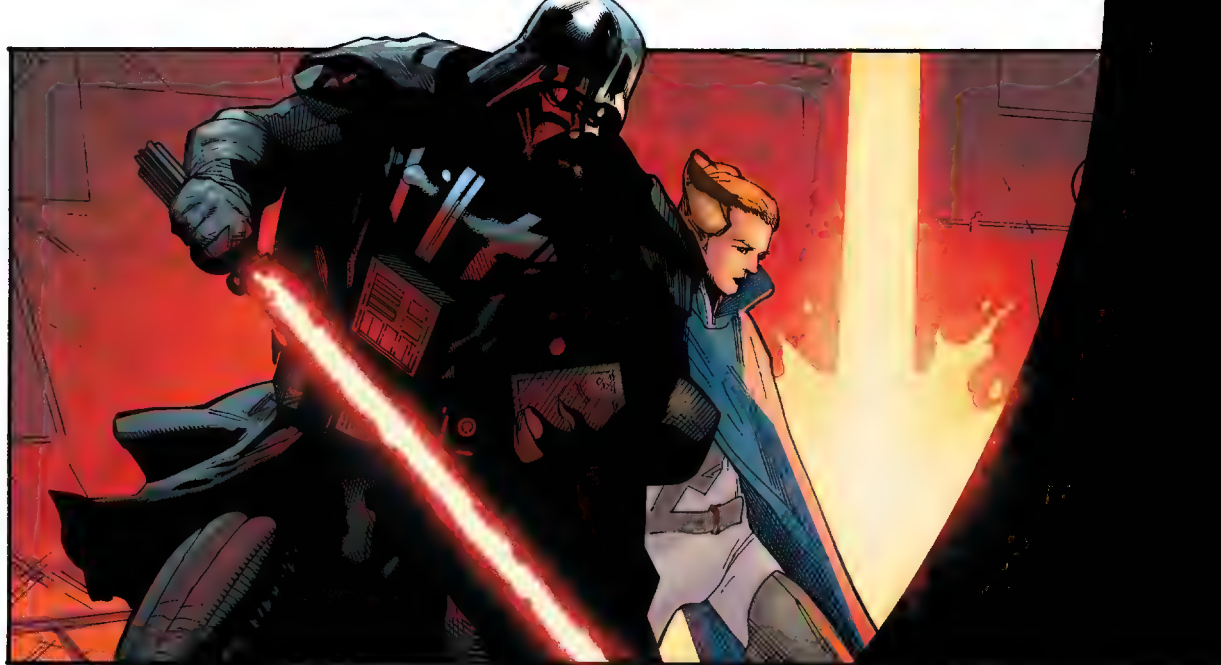
HMM.

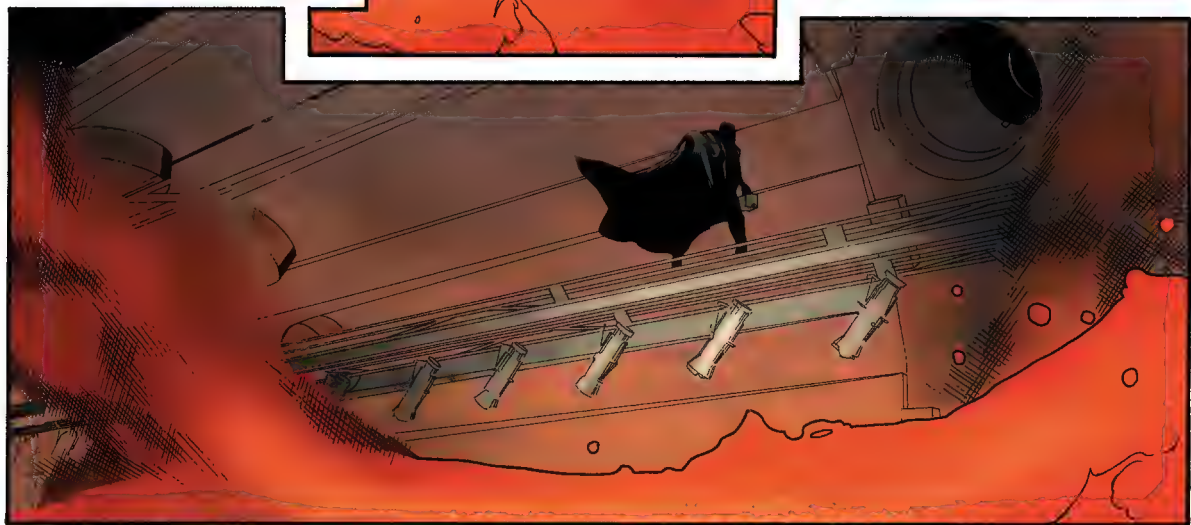
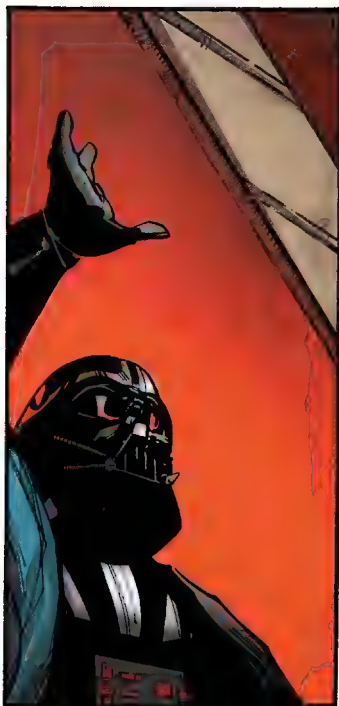
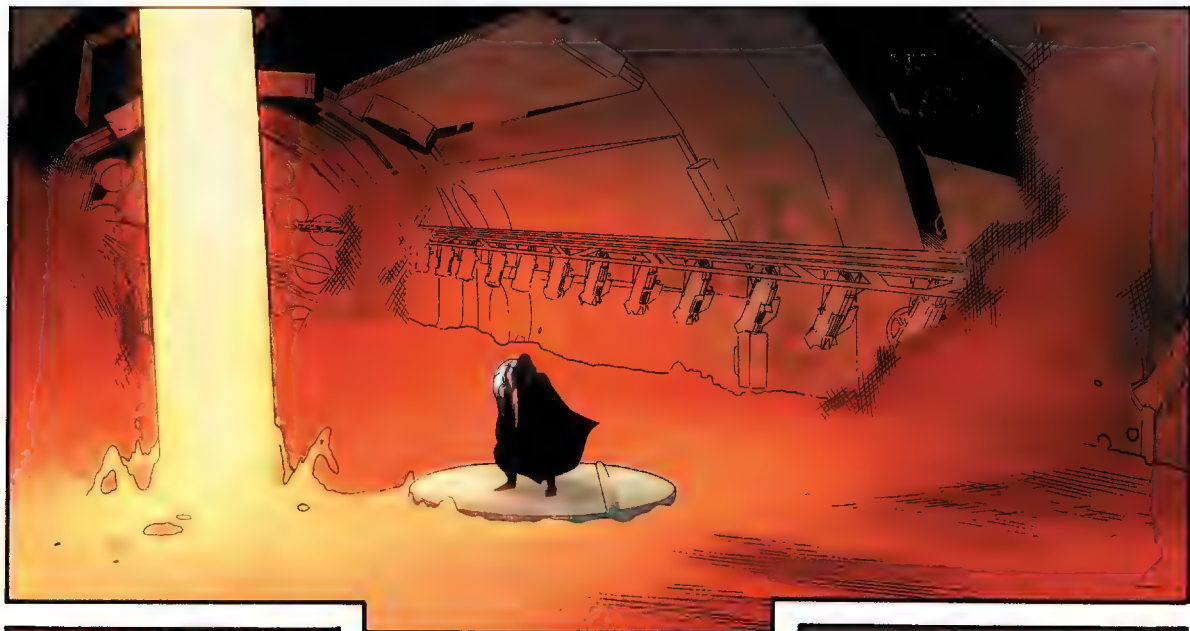
YOUR
FATHER
SHOULD BE
PROUD.

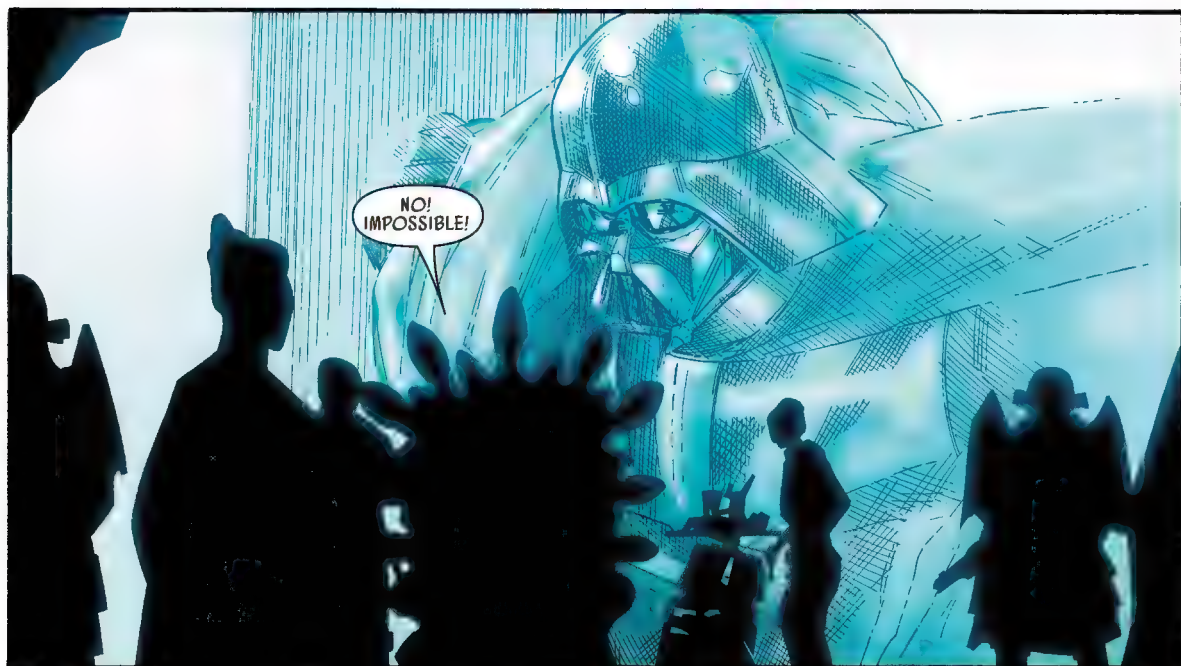




YOU SHOW
AN ADMIRABLE
WILLINGNESS TO
SACRIFICE FOR
THE GREATER
GOOD.







NO!
IMPOSSIBLE!



SEAL
THE DOORS!
IMMEDIATELY!

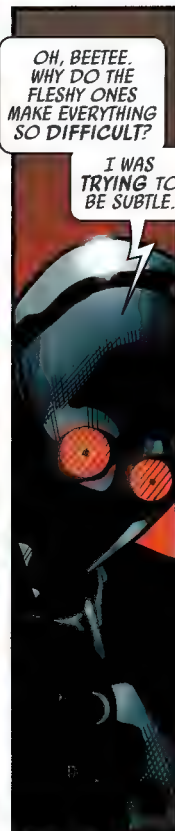
HE'LL BE
COMING FOR US!
GUARDS! MORE
GUARDS!



WELL, I'M TOLD
ON A BAD DAY A
RELAXING DRINK
CAN BE A REAL
TONIC...



THIS IS
NOT THE
TIME FOR
DRINKS!



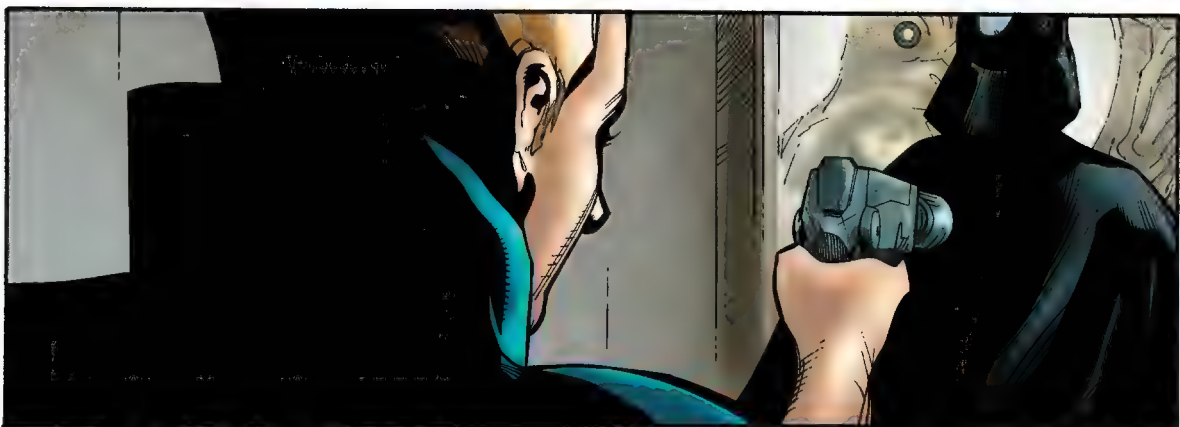
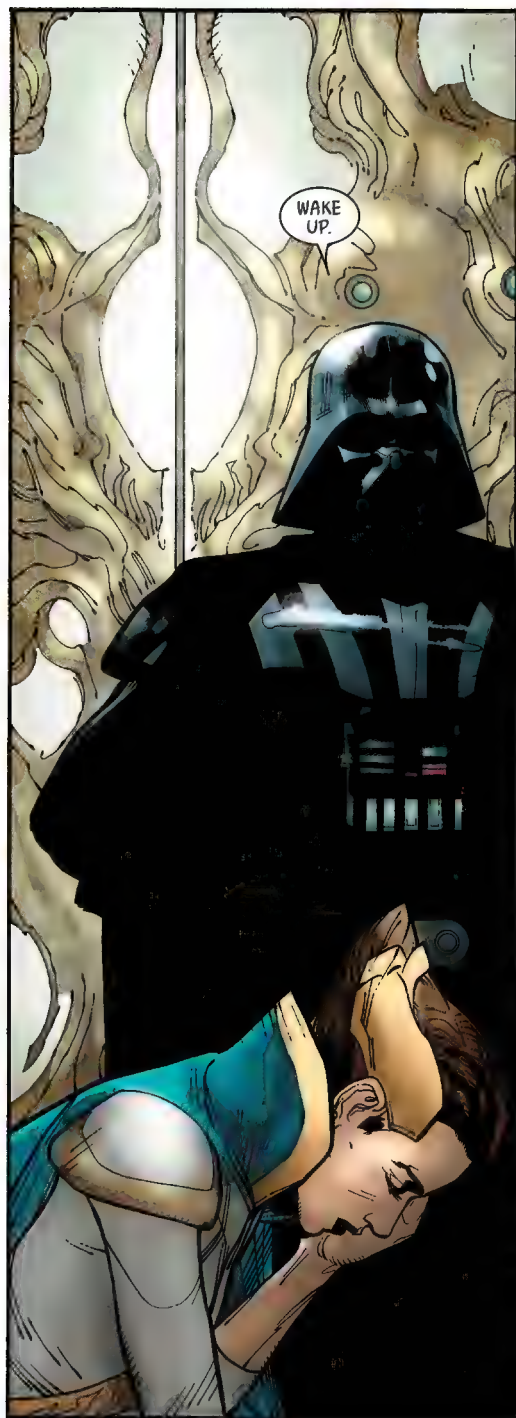
OH, BEETEE.
WHY DO THE
FLESHY ONES
MAKE EVERYTHING
SO DIFFICULT?

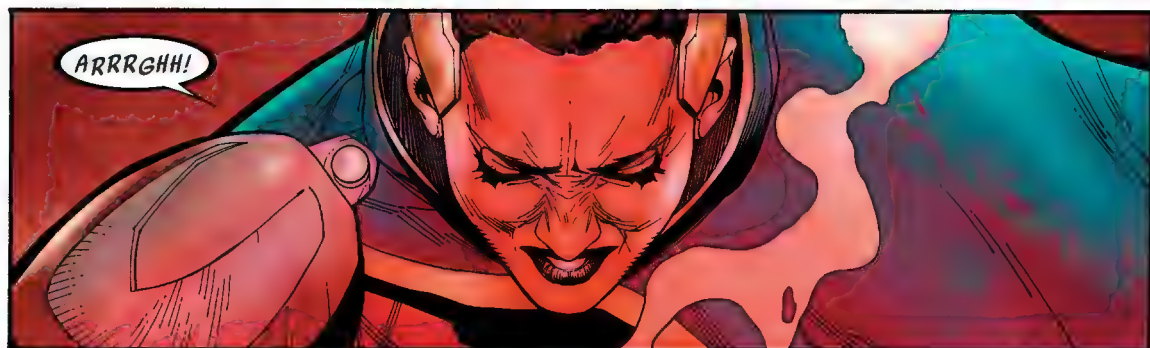
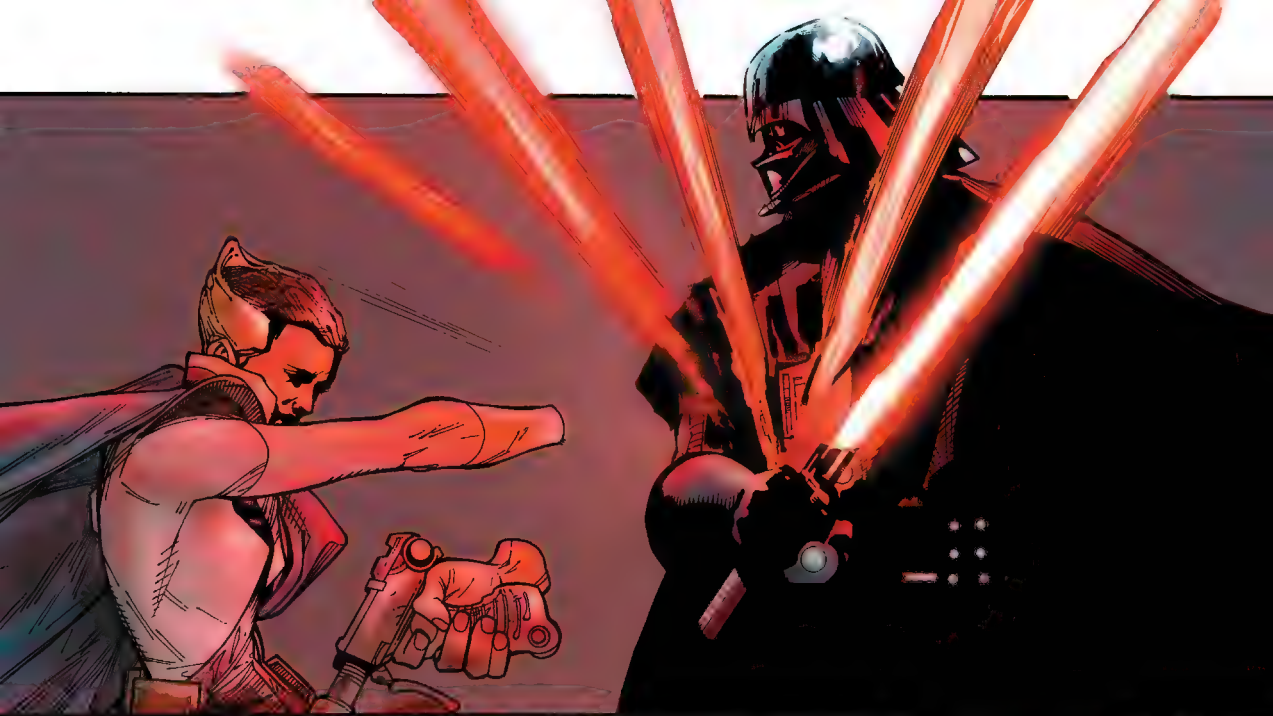
I WAS
TRYING TO
BE SUBTLE.

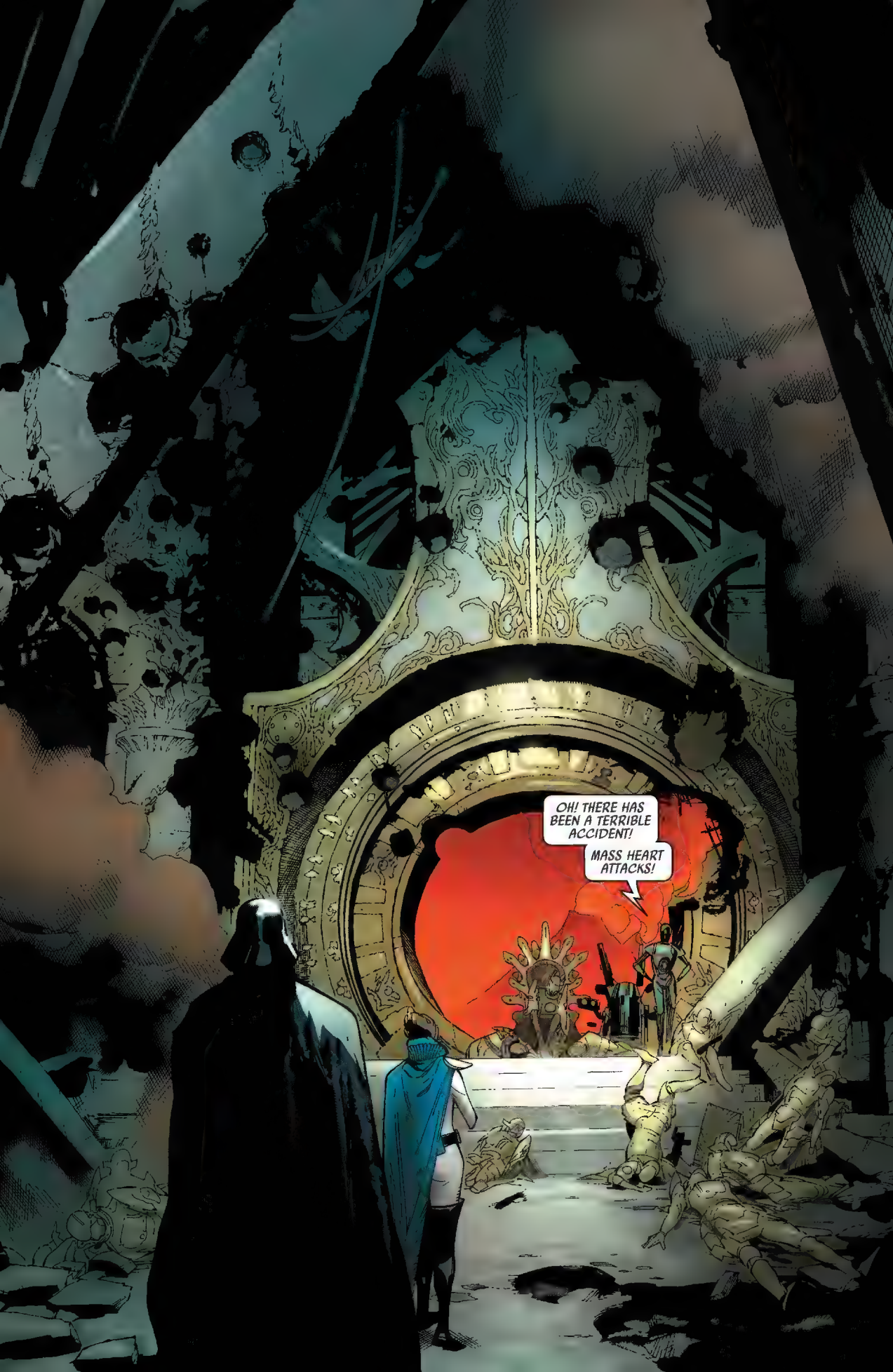


BLEEP!

OH, VERY
WELL. YOU WIN.
THEY DID SPILL
MY DRINKS.

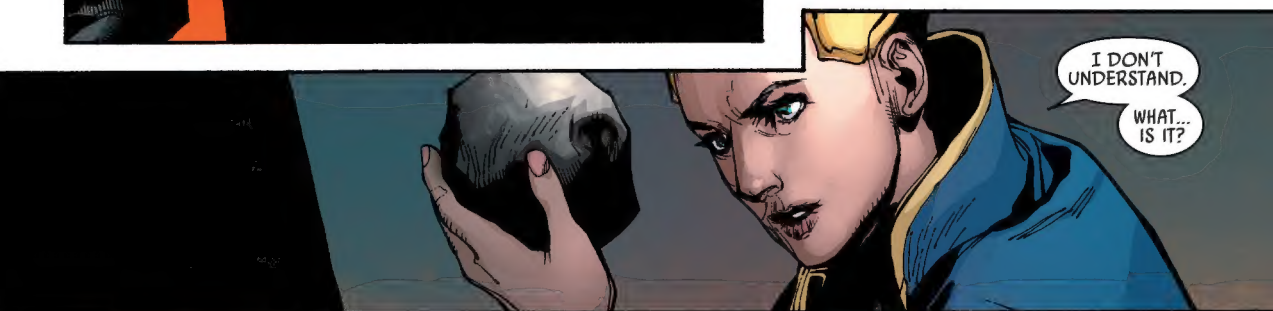
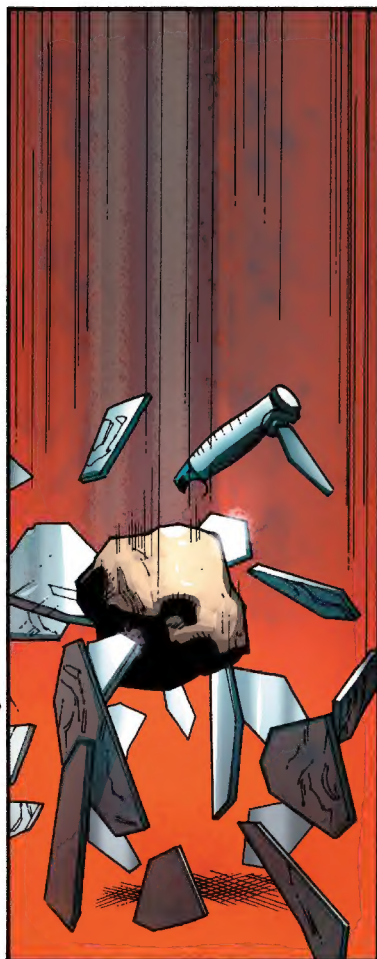
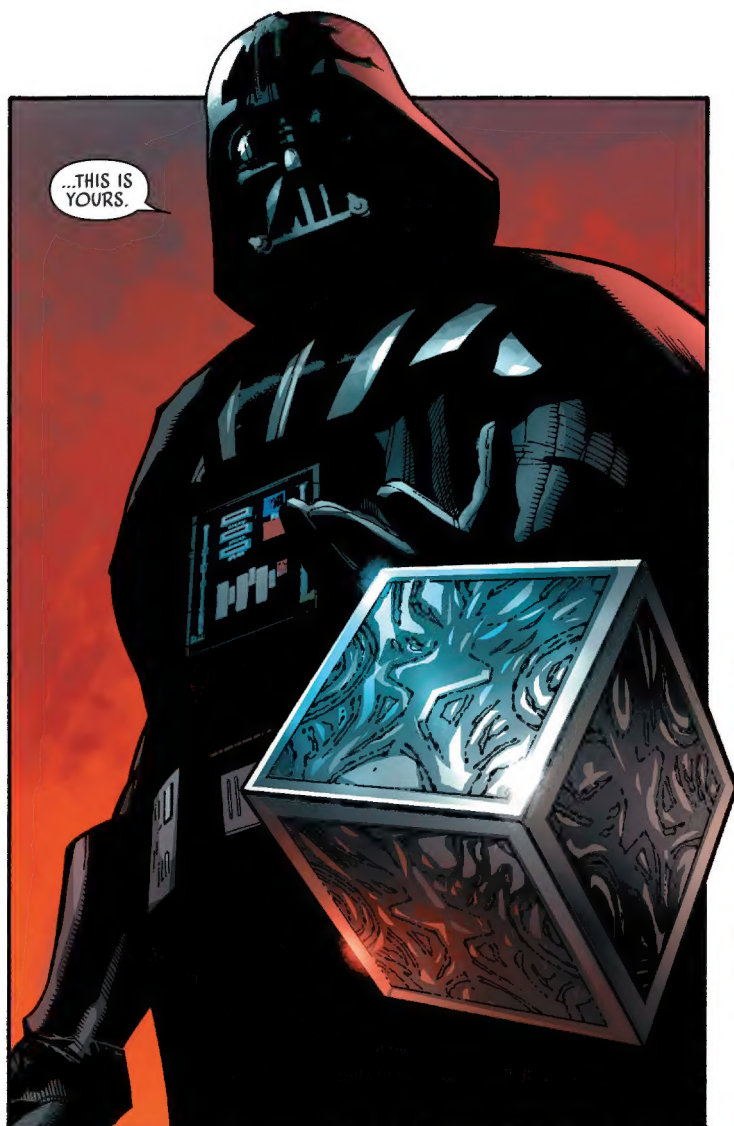


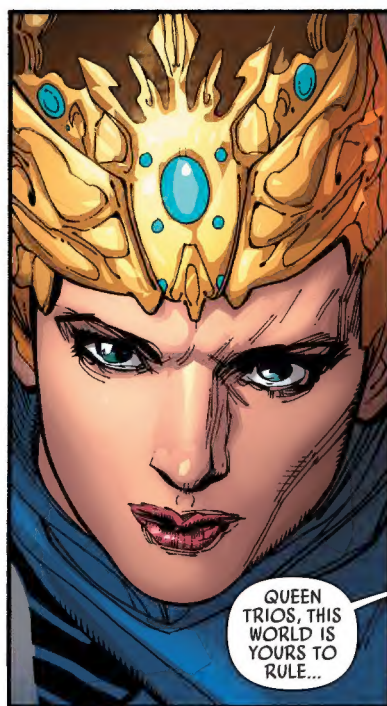
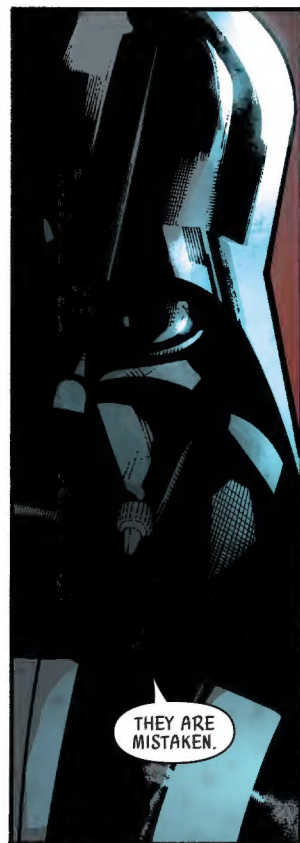




OH! THERE HAS
BEEN A TERRIBLE
ACCIDENT!
MASS HEART
ATTACKS!



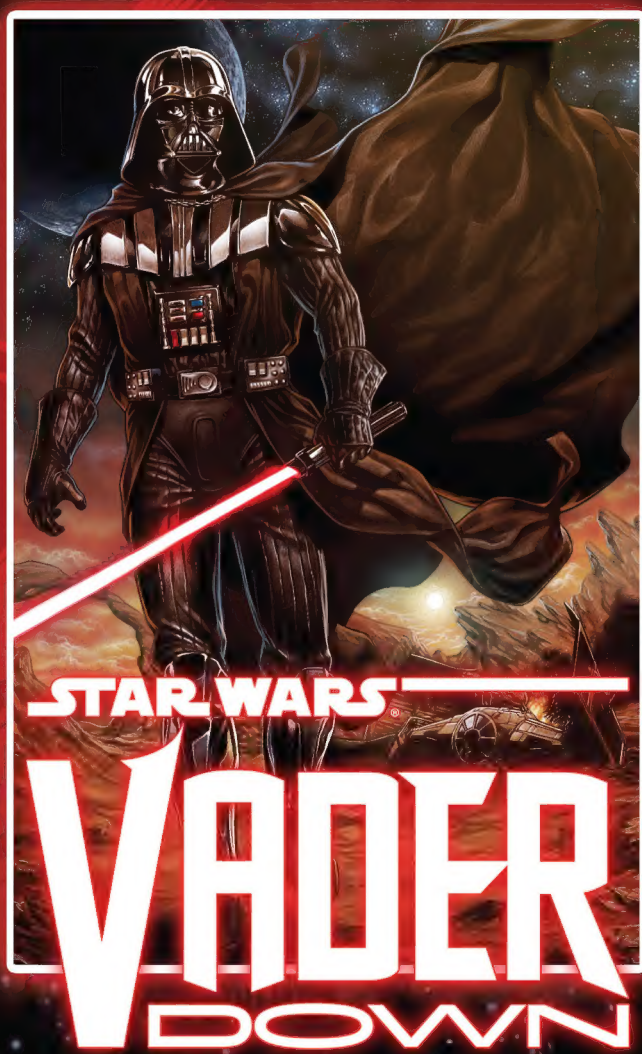






...BUT DO
NOT FORGET
WHOM YOU
SERVE.

THE SAGA CONTINUES IN...



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